who were within the zone of consideration and all officers belonging to the Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes in the extended zone of consideration, as stipulated in the instructions issued by the Government were assessed for inclusion in the Panels. Orders of promotion were issued as and when vacancies become available for being filled in, as indicated in the reply to part (a).

(c) Does not arise.

Inter-changing of posts in C.P.W.D.

1798. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 1316 Junior Engineer (Civil) including 13 belonging to SC/ST, were confirmed w.e.f. 1981 in C.P.W.D. which were later on modified in 1987 and only 1006 candidates belonging to general category were declared permanent;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that 310 permanent posts were reserved for SC/ST and only 196 were released in 1987;

(c) whether it is also a fact that 114 posts were reserved for Scheduled Tribes;

(d) if so, whether it is also a fact that these posts were neither filled up due to non availability of Scheduled Tribes candidates nor these were interchanged from Scheduled Tribes to Scheduled Castes; and

(e) whether any step is proposed to be taken to fill up these posts by Scheduled Caste instead of Scheduled Tribe candidates available in the Department?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) An eligibility list for confirmation of 1200 Junior Engineer (Civil) consisting of 1287 General, 12 SC and 1 ST was issued in 1982. However, later on, it was detected that the computation of reserve vacancies had not been correctly made. On the basis of revision and up-dating the break up of vacancies was computed to be as under:—

General	1907
S.C.	195
S.T.	98

Against this, on the basis of availability of eligible officers for confirmation, an eligibility list of 1208 officers consisting of 1007 General, 192 SC and 9 ST was issued in 1987-88.

(d) and (e) Against 98 posts reserved for ST, only 9 candidates were available and they were declared eligible for confirmation. During 1988-89, 73 eligible SC candidates were confirmed.

Inter-changing of vacancies between SC/ST was to be considered after 3 recruitment years and was not due in respect of the above vacancies. Besides, as per the revised policy, effective from 1.4.88 confirmation of Govt. Servants has been de-linked from availability of permanent posts and, therefore, reservation in favour of SC/ST at the time of confirmation is no longer required with effect from that date. The question of inter-changing of carried forward vacancies after 1.4.88 also, therefore, does not arise.

Filing up of reserved posts

1799. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the reservation quota of SC/ST in each cadre of Engineering (Civil/Electrical) architect Wing, Horticulture, and Ministerial staff of C.P.W.D. has been filled up; if so, the details thereof categorywise;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps are being taken to fill up the quota in the Department?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.